

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

CHAPTER 286.

AN ACT to amend Article 53 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Landlord and Tenant," by adding a new section thereto, to be known as Section 26A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Article 53 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Landlord and Tenant," be amended by adding an additional section thereto, to be known as Section 26A, to follow Section 26, and to read as follows:

26A. In all leases made after the first day of June, 1904, whenever the improvements on property rented for a term of not more than seven years, shall become untenable by reason of fire or unavoidable accident, the tenancy shall be thereby terminated, and all liability for rent thereunder shall cease upon payment proportionately to the day of fire or unavoidable accident.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1904.

CHAPTER 287.

AN ACT to repeal Article 27, Section 147A, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Health—Salesladies, Chairs for," and re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Article 27, Section 147A, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Health—Salesladies, Chairs for," is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to as to read as follows:

147A. All proprietors or owners of any retail, jobbing or wholesale dry goods store, notion, millinery or any other business where any female salespeople or other female help are employed for the purpose of serving the public, shall provide a chair or stool for each one of such female help, in order that when they are not actively engaged in making sales or taking stock or in performing such other duties as they may have been engaged to perform, they shall have an opportunity to rest, and they shall not be forbidden to avail themselves of such opportunity. Any such owner or proprietor who shall neglect or refuse to obey the provisions of this section shall be con-

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